

Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District

Minutes of the Board of Directors September 13, 2016 Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District (the District) was called to order. Present for the meeting were directors: Bruce Tieken, Barry Miller, and Kermit Thiele. Mr. Steve Ehrig and Mr. Bruce Patteson were not in attendance. Also present for the meeting were GCUWCD Manager, Greg Sengelmann, administrative assistant, Laura Martin and district counsel Greg Ellis. Other Attendees included: (See Attached List)

Public Comment: No public comments were made. A recording of the board meeting and comments received in writing are filed at the District office.

The consent agenda was reviewed by the Board of Directors and Mr. Barry Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr Kermit Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Next, the Board and Mr. Greg Sengelmann discussed 2015-2016 Fiscal Year budget amendments for the District, Western Mitigation Fund and Eastern Mitigation Fund. The directors and Mr. Greg Sengelmann discussed various line items of the 2015-2016 budget estimates to date, adjustments to be made, and the proposed budget amendments. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve 2016-2016 budget amendments for the District, Western Mitigation Fund, and Eastern Mitigation fund. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board then discussed and took action on setting the proposed tax rate for the District. Mr. Thiele made a motion to adopt a 2016-2017 Fiscal Year proposed tax rate of \$0.0072 of each \$100.00 value for the District. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with three directors present at the meeting; Mr. Tieken, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Thiele voting for the motion. Mr. Steve Ehrig and Mr. Bruce Patteson were not in attendance.

The Board went into Executive Session for personnel matters, per Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code. Mr. Tieken called the meeting back to order at 5:57 p.m.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss and take action on the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Operating Budget for the District, Western Mitigation Fund, and Eastern Mitigation Fund. The directors and Mr. Sengelmann discussed each line item of the Budgets and made adjustments where necessary. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 District Operating Budget as amended, the Western Mitigation Budget, and the Eastern Mitigation Budget. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Next, the Director's discussed and took action on approving Floyd & Gindler, PC to conduct the District's 2015-2016 fiscal year audits. Mr. Miller made the motion. Mr. Tieken seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The board discussed and took action on contract renewal for Rockin'S Marketing & Design, the district's website maintenance company. Mr. Thiele made a motion to approve the contracts and Mr. Tieken seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Amendments to the District's Plugging & Abandonment Policy Manual were discussed with Mr. Greg Ellis, Mr. Sengelmann and the board. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the amendments to the Plugging & Abandonment Policy Manual. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Comments received during the GMA-13 Proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFC) public hearing and comment period were discussed by the Board and Mr. Sengelmann. The board declined to make any changes to the proposed DFC.

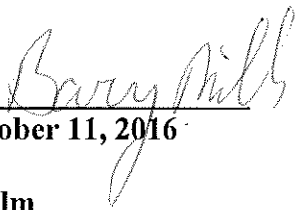
A discussion occurred about the water well at Century Oaks Estates on the property of Mr. Richard Burns. Mr. Ellis suggested the district send a formal letter to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (T.C.E.Q.) describing the status of the well in relation to the District's rules. Mr. Sengelmann and Mr. Ellis will work on drafting a letter.

Mr. Ellis and the board next discussed the Lonestar GCD and the creation of a secondary amicus brief on their behalf. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the amicus brief. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mr. Miller to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Ticken seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved By:



October 11, 2016

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